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In re Application of:)
Martin SCHADT et al.) Group Art Unit: 1772
Application No.: 09/719,303) Examiner: Sow Fun Hon
§ 371 Filing Date: December 11, 2000) Confirmation No.: 7024
For: OPTICAL COMPONENT,)
ORIENTATION LAYER, AND)
LAYERABLE POLYMERISABLE)
MIXTURE)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This communication responds to the non-Final Office Action dated March 8, 2005. The period for response to the Office Action has been extended by three months to September 8, 2005, by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time and corresponding fee. Please reconsider this application in view of the following remarks.

Status of the claims

Claims 1-29 are pending in this application. Claims 26-29 have been withdrawn from consideration.¹ Applicants acknowledge that the Examiner withdrew the earlier rejections of claims 1-25 in view of the Amendment filed on January 4, 2005. In the current Office Action, the Examiner has made a new rejection of claims 1-25 as having been obvious over the disclosure of U.S. Patent No. 5,098,975 to Omelis et al.

¹ The Office Action dated January 16, 2003, at page 2, indicates that the withdrawn claims may be rejoined for examination when the elected claims are found to be patentable.